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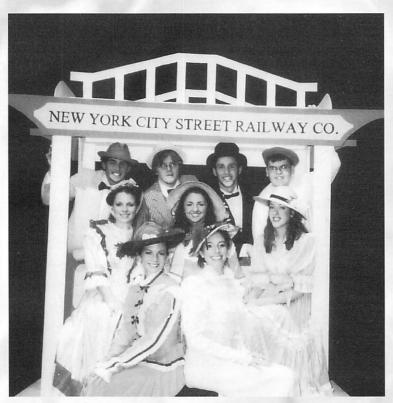
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Horace Vandergelder barks commands at his employees, Cornelius Hackl and BarnabyTucker. Shane Barzanty, Joe Welch, and Brian Oswald had perfect on-stage chemistry.

 $\begin{array}{l} \mbox{Minnie Fay, employee of Irene Molloy, helps out in the hat shop. Senior Vanessa Kreuer's last musical proved to be a memorable one. \end{array}$ 







These students had a major role in this year's musical. Row 1: As the lead character, Angie Scanga and Maggie Yunker Row 2: Maggie O'Grady, Andrea Mackey, Vanessa Kreuer Row 3: Tyler Courtad, Brian Oswald, Shane Barzanty, Joe Welch

Dolly sure knows how to play matchmaker! Here, Angie Scanga pairs up Courtney Markowitz and Nathan Kern.







Horace Vandergelder rests comfortably in his "chair." Ryan Wolstoncroft and Joe Meehan held on tight throughout this exciting number.

Irene Molloy is very involved with her work in the hat shop. Senior Andrea Mackey did a great job of portraying Mrs. Molloy.

Luke Morgan, Tyler Courtad, Maggie O'Grady, Brian Oswald, and Joe Welch all hop on the train. This musical number, one of many, was an exciting highlight of the night.





I had a great time being in the play with all my friends." -Andrew Lavin

"This year's musical was my favorite. Everyone did a great job!"
-Ashley Risher



On March 27, 28, and 29, the new theater proudly hosted this year's musical, Hello, Dolly! The musical was directed by Mr. Maurer and Mrs. Mackey. Mr. Rolin was in charge of the orchestra, and Mr. McAndrew supervised the construction and painting of the set. Angie Scanga and Maggie Yunker portrayed the lead role of Dolly Levi, a middle-aged widow who loves to play matchmaker. She tries her hand at hooking people up, making for a large cast. The cast was made up of students from each grade, making it a fun experience for all who participated. The night was filled with exciting dance numbers, soulful serenades of song, and some fabulous acting. At the end of the story, everyone ends up with a match, including Dolly! A happy ending, some great acting, and a beautiful new set all contributed to this year's successful musical.

-Leighann Snyder

#### HOME VISITOR

### S.F. SOFTBALL

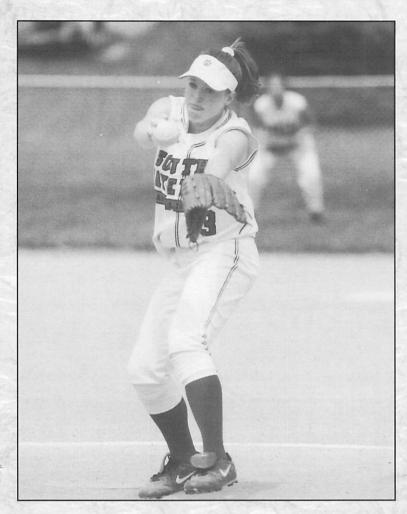
The girl's softball team started the 2003 season with a new head coach. With the absence of former head coach, Jeff Matty, who would be better suited for the job than former assistant coach, Walt Folcik? Along with a new varsity head coach, the J.V. team also received a new coach, Jesse Frederick. To complete the staff, there were also two volunteers who helped throughout the season. The staff brought many skills, leadership qualities, and a winning attitude.

The girls were also rewarded with a new home.

The old boy's baseball field was reconstructed to form the girl's softball field. A new outfield fence was put in, the mound was taken out, and the backstop was pushed forward. The coaches, players, and parents thought this was a great start to a new beginning.

To start the season, the South Fayette girls softball team had a line-up of talented fielders and power hitters. The girls were ready to face whatever should happen to come their way. The girls ended their season with a record of 5-6.

-Lauren Lubic-





Freshman Lindsey Curtin showed off her quick reflexes while being the catcher. Lindsey showed what it took to be a great catcher and dominated that position on the J.V. team.

Rookie pitcher, Abbie Dantry, led the J.V. team into many victories. As a first year pitcher, she did an excellent job.

Seniors: Row 1: J. Vogt, S. Compton, C. Wood Row 2: J. Proctor, H. Davidson, L. Stewart, P. Hill



Varsity Softball: Row 1: B. Funari, L. Lubic, A. Dantry, L. Thomas, L. Curtin Row 2: C. Wood, A. Stasik, S. Compton, K. Frattini, C. Lapp, J. Vogt Row 3: Coach Folcik, P. Hill, H. Davidson, L. Williams, J. Capozzoli, D. Rastetter, Coach Nesbit









J.V. Softball: Row 1: J. Capozzoli, A. Dantry, K. Frattini Row 2: D. Rastetter, L. Curtin Row 3: C. Lapp, R. Kelcha, A. Dernosek, N. Hoover, J. Proctor

Third baseman, Brooke Funari lays down a tag in attempt to get the runner out. Brooke's skills were a huge assest during the 2003 season.

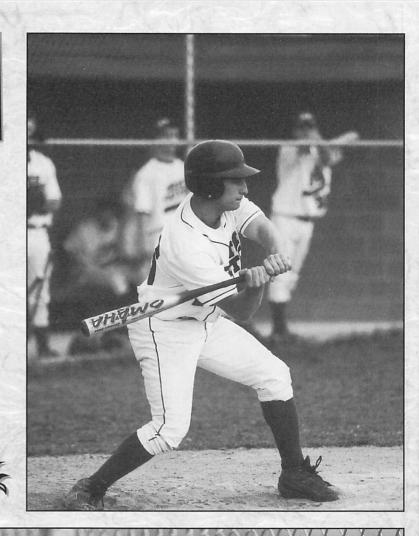
Junior Lauren Lubic eyes up the ball and prepares to swing. The team could always rely on Lauren to get a hit and bat in a runner.

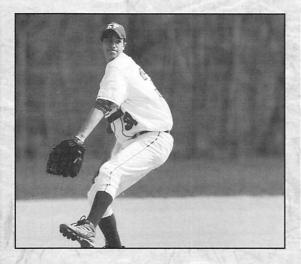
### HOME VISITOR S.F. BASEBALL

This year's baseball season went just as planned except for one aspect: the playoffs. When asked to recap the year, senior Dan Pickens said, "Even though we moved up a class to AA, we still turned heads with our 12-5 record. Next year, I hope the boys keep up the tradition and make the playoffs." Nevertheless, The varsity team had an exceptional year. The home games were played at Fairview field, and there was almost always a large fan turnout. "We had lots of support this year. The upperclassmen proved to be

good leaders for us younger players. Next year, varsity will have a great chance to make playoffs," says freshman Steve Nicholas. Coach Metro, Coach Zewe, Coach Ott, and Coach Perrott helped to keep the boys in line this year. Also, seniors Jim Willison, Chad Ignatz, Tony Talotta, Dan Pickens, T.J. Luck, and Mike Johnson assisted the underclassmen and helped them get through the tough times of the season. Overall, it was a great year for Lions baseball.

-Leighann Snyder





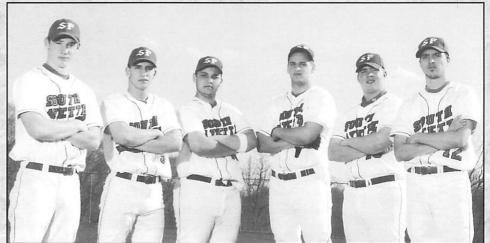


Steve Nicholas winds up to deliver a forceful pitch. As a freshman, Steve's year on the J.V. team will prepare him for the following seasons.

Chad Ignatz steps up to the plate. Chad's batting average was a .404, making him a great asset to the team this year.

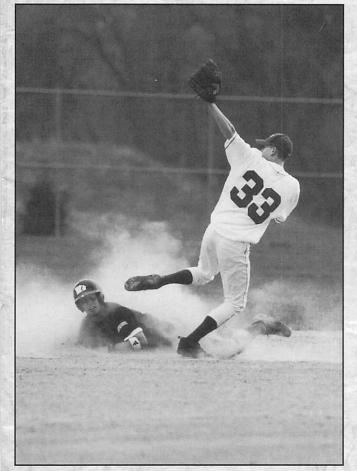
T.J. Brown takes a break from the game to catch his breath. Baseball is a mental sport, but the physical aspect is great as well.

Seniors: from L-R: J. Willison, C. Ignatz, T. Talotta, D. Pickens, T. Luck, M. Johnson



Varsity Baseball: Row 1: N. Lubin, C. Ignatz, J. Willison, M. Johnson, M. Yurchak Row 2: K. Jarvis, A. Stone, S. White, C. Drake, J. Willison, J. Hrvatin Row 3: M. Sampson, M. Yater, T. Talotta, D. Pickens, S. Rooney, B. Bartic, T. Luck









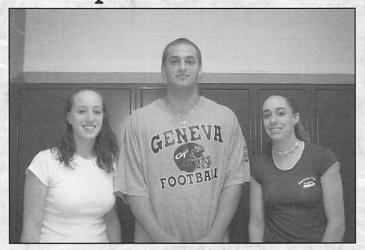
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He's out! Jason Hrvatin tags the opponent from Waynesburg. Jason, the shortstop for J.V., had a good year and looks forward to advancing to the varsity team.

Dan Pickens gets an enthusiastic congratulations from fellow team member Josh Willison. Dan's senior year proved to be both successful and memorable.

#### Sports Achievers

#### **SportsAchievers**



Congratulations to senior Dan Pickens, and juniors Lauren Uranker and Felicia Sonson who all made an All-District basketball team this year. Dan made the boys All-District 3rd Basketball Team, Lauren made the Girls All-District 1st Basketball Team, and Felicia made the girls All-District 2nd Basketball Team.

Boys Baseball 2003 All-Section Team

> Dan Pickens Tony Talotta Chad Ignatz

Girls Softball 2003 All-Section Team

Lauren Lubic



Senior basketball player, Paul Ruhmann was named the Boys Basketball "Player of the Year" and also named to the Boys All-District 1st Basketball team.



Junior Brian Depaul was the first South Fayette golfer to go to the PIAA State Championship. In the semi-finals, he placed 7th with a score of 74. In the final round, he placed in the 23rd position with a total score of 154.



Congratulations South Fayette athletes!

#### **Sports Achievers**



Congratulations to senior Mark McKnight who became the first wrestler in the history of South Fayette to win a state title. Mark won the PIAA State Wrestling Championship at the 119lb. weight classification.



Congratulations 2003 PIAA State Wrestling Champion Mark McKnight



### Band & Chorus Trip

It is hard to say goodbye to the Magic Kingdom when it is time for departure. The band and chorus members gather for one last shot before they head back to Pittsburgh.

Riding all the fun rides is the best part of a theme park. Mallory Wauthier, Stephanie Nickolas, Melissa Hart, and Rachel Drake hop on to the Tea Cup ride and get ready for the wild spinning.

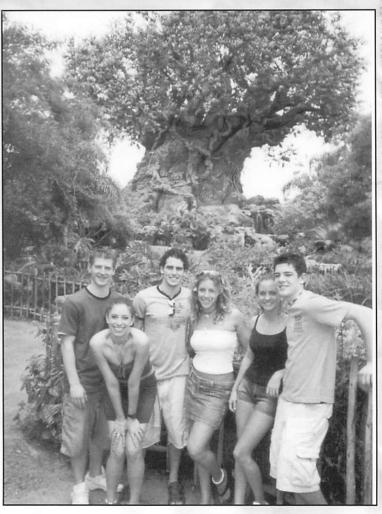


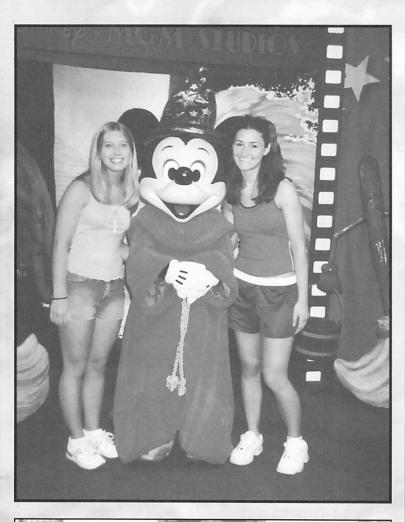




After a long, fun, and hot day of riding rides and performing, your stomach surely does growl. Ryan Wolf, Courtney Irwin, Dan Connelly, Mike McGovern, and Keith Jarvis catch a bite to eat at Epcot in Japan at a Samari restaurant.

A newer part of Disney is the Animal Kingdom, where the Tree of Life stands. Here, Aaron Bonnaure, Maggie Yunker, Tyler Courtad, Cecca Civitarese, Angie Scanga, and Andrew Lavin will remember the different trees they saw and what each of them represented.

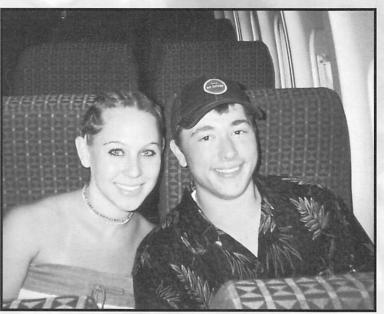






Disney World is about site seeing and having fun. In front of the Magic Kingdom train ride, Kaelyn Fagan, Greta Mittereder, Lisa Thomas, Autum Harrington, Olivia Bellini, and Jamie Zik wait by the Mickey Garden for the next train.

Some tourists' go to Disney for one reason: Mickey Mouse. Juniors Stephanie Nickolas and Melissa Hart got the chance to meet Mickey Mouse and get a picture taken with him. Relaxing on the plane ride is the best after four, long days at Disney World. Lauren Harzea and William Haraby sit back and relax for the two hour ride home.





"Although I have been to Disney before, this trip was the best." -Kaeyln Fagan

"My first band trip was a great experience." -Lauren Hareza



In 1997 the band and chorus classes took a trip to Walt Disney World. Six years later on April 24, 2003, the senior high band and chorus members had the chance to experience this same journey. Almost every member of the band and chorus did some serious fundraising to get themselves to Florida. While in Disney, the band members performed on Main Street at the Magic Kingdom where many tourists and friends stood to watch. Going to Disney World gave the students a chance to perform their best and prepare them for future careers. Although chorus member, Kaeyln Fagan, has been to Disney World before, she said that this particular trip was the best. Band member Lauren Hareza experienced her first band trip to Disney and said it was a great one. This trip will never be forgotten by those who attended and came back with many pictures, souvenirs, and memories.

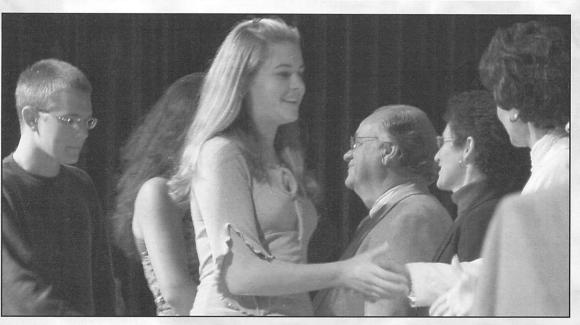
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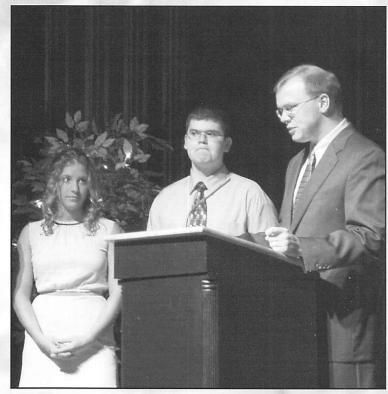
# Amards Night

Rachel Drake and Garrett Ackman shake hands with Dr. Hippert after winning an award for participating in WACA band. Twelve elite members of the South Fayette band were picked out of eight total local school bands.

The English staff anxiously waits to congratulate their students on receiving awards for excellent work in the English classroom. A total of thirty students, ranging from freshmen, to seniors received these honorable awards.

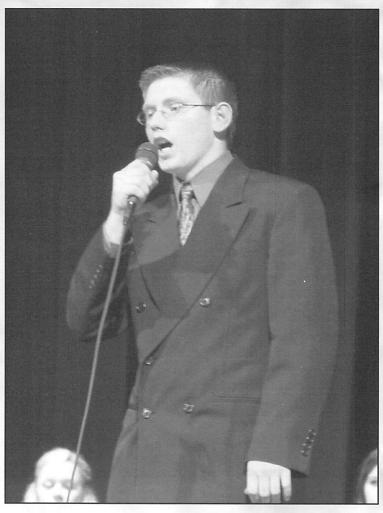


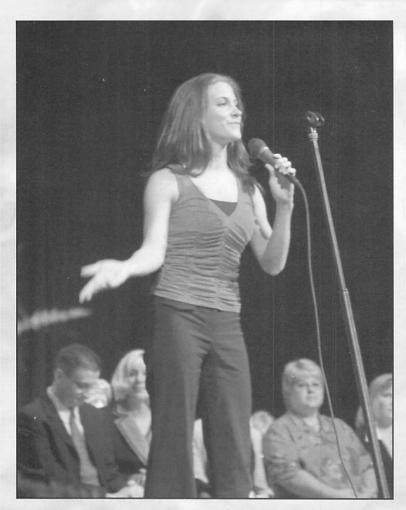




Seniors Cecca Civitarese and Joe Welch are recognized by Mr. Aaron Ostrowski as recipients of the Nathan Ostrowski Memorial Scholarship award. The students had to complete an essay of their acheivements and future goals in order to win the scholarship.

Michael Talerico sings an exuberant version of "Cole's Song" to welcome everyone to Awards Night. This junior's talent was evident through his rendition of the song, and the audience thoroughly enjoyed his performance.



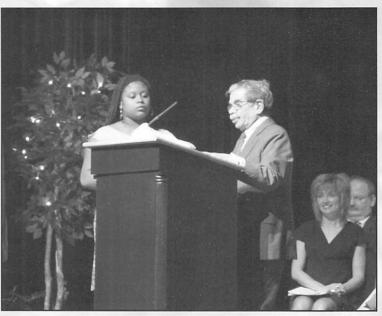




Dr. Hippert congratulates Ted Lesniakowski for receiving the Angela Violi Zedreck Scholarship Award. Ted received \$2,000 towards his college eduacation upon receiving the award.

Senior Angela Scanga gives an amazing performance of the song "Cabaret" before the closing of the awards ceremony. Angie's vocal abilities made her a star of the South Fayette stage.

Senior Deondra Tillar is presented with the Louis Caplan Human Relations Awardby Mr. Stanford Smith. Deondra's accomplishments throughout the year made her a deserving candidate of this award.





"It was fun receiving multiple awards." - Cecca Civilarese "Mwards night really gives me a feeling of true accomplishment." -Courtney Markowitz

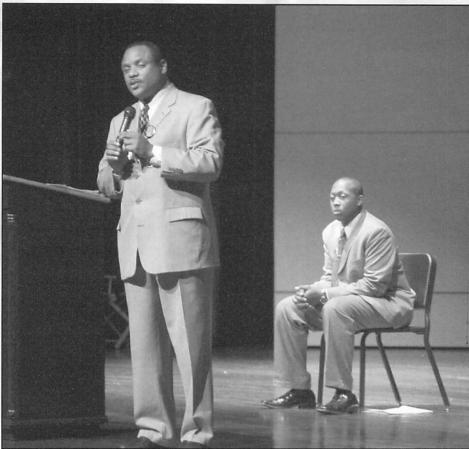


Many students see awards night as the final closing to a year of hard work and scholastic achievement. On May 12, 2003 at 7:00 p.m., awards night was held for all students in grades 9 through 12 to recognize the students achievements in academics and athletics. Seniors were able to finalize their high school year by receiving awards and scholarships for further education, while freshman were able to be part of the atmosphere and be recognized for excelling in their first year of high school. Senior Mark McKnight received an award for the Class "AAA" Wrestling State Champion, and senior Dan Pickens received the award for All-State First Team Defensive Line. Show Choir members Angie Scanga and Michael Talerico showed off their talent and singing abilities with performances of the songs "Cabaret" and "Cole's Song". After all the awards were given, students and their family members proceeded to the Commons area for refreshments and friendly conversation.

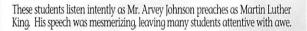
-Jessica Capozzoli

### SPRING CANDIDS







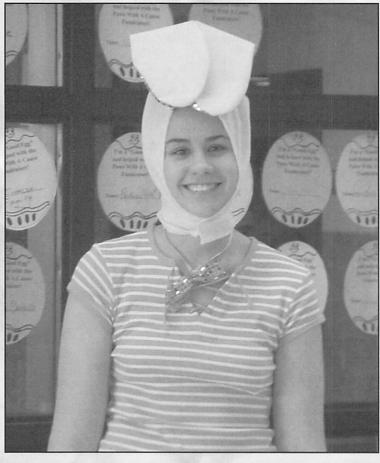


Andrew Lavin gets cozy with Greg Wuchenich as the Easter Bunny. Andrew, along with many other students, enjoyed helping out with the sophomore class fundraiser.

Junior John Tillar looks on as Arvey Johnson delivers his speech. As a member of the Multi Cultural Club, John organized the day for the students helping to raise awareness for Black History Month.

Guest conductor Sally Albrecht came to South Fayette to help out with PMEA. She composes and arranges music for junior high district choruses. Students from different areas came to showcase their vocal talent at PMEA.



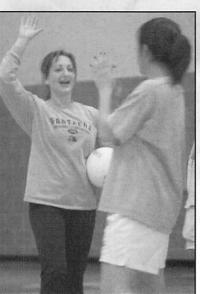


Sophomore Rachel Drake is all set to have breakfast with the Easter Bunny. Her bunny ears topped off the outfit and made the day more enjoyable for some.

Freshman Jenna Cardillo checks in and prepares to sing at PMEA. Her special vocal talent, along with many others, was displayed in a concert.







Miss Glick and Miss Imbarlina slap a high five after the teachers score a point. Even interns and student-teachers were able to enjoy the student-faculty volleyball game.

This group of seniors enjoyed taking on the faculty during the annual volleyball game. Both sides played hard, even though this game was just for fun.

### SPRING CANDIDS









Rain or shine, many people still participated in the Relay for Life walk sponsored by the American Cancer Society and South Fayette Township School District. The walk was held at the high school stadium and allowed members from the community to help support the wonderful cause.

Seniors Megan Faltenovich and Nicole Danziger enjoy their time on the yearbook field trip to the Phipps Conservatory. The yearbook class participated in this field trip to learn more about photo composition.

Mallory Wauthier was honored as an inductee into the National Honor Society. To be part of the NHS, students must keep up their grades and be involved in numerous academic, athletic, and community activities.

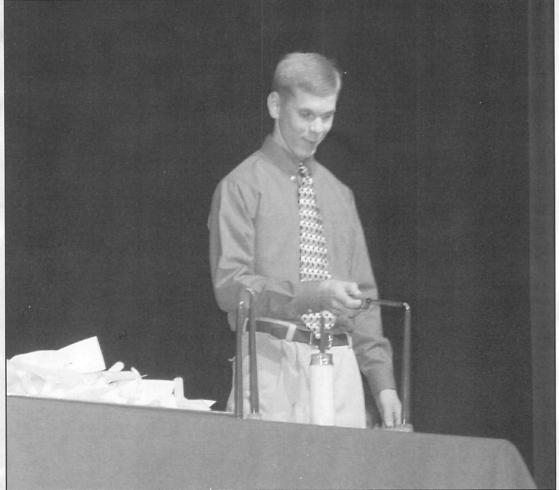


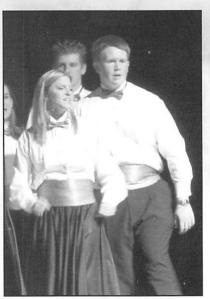


To get people in the spring mood, a giant spring chicken was on display at Phipps Conservatory. The yearbook staff saw the beautiful flower displays when they went on their field trip.

Greta Mittereder listens intently to Mr. Maurer as the Senior Show Choir gets ready to put on a performance down in Disney World. The choir awed the crowds with their various shows and singing abilities.





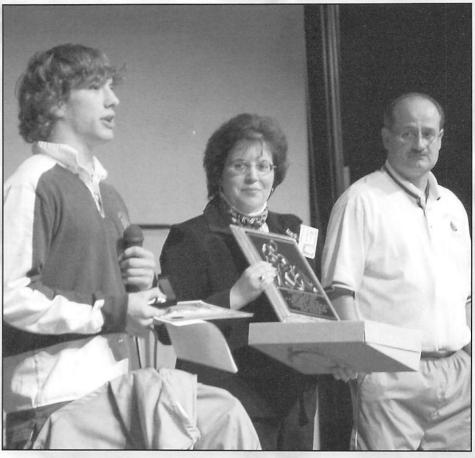


Senior Show Choir members Christina Hanzlik and Ryan Wolstoncroft get into the song during the spring choral concert. The South Fayette chorus has always been known for putting on a good show.

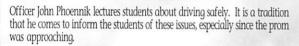
Ted Lesniakowski lights a candle during the National Honor Society ceremony. The candle represents leadership and his induction into the program this year.

### SIPIRING CANDIDS







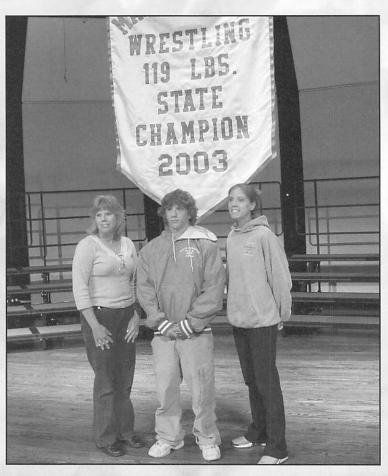


Students listen attentively to the materials presented to them about tips on how they can become better drivers. The advice given will help students to avoid speeding tickets and accidents in the future.

Mrs. Bisignani and Mr. Farkas present Mark McKnight with a jacket, plaque, and ring. This assembly was held to honor his state title as well as many of the other prestigious awards he has earned.

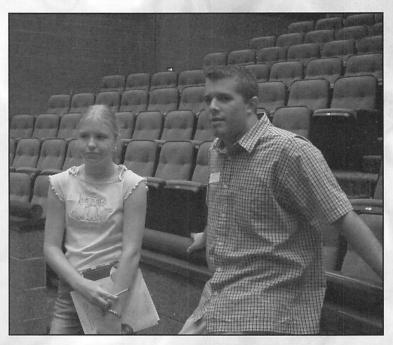
Joe Meehan participates as a teenager who was in a car accident as a result of drunk driving. The reality of the situation was frightening and made students realize the consequences of their actions.

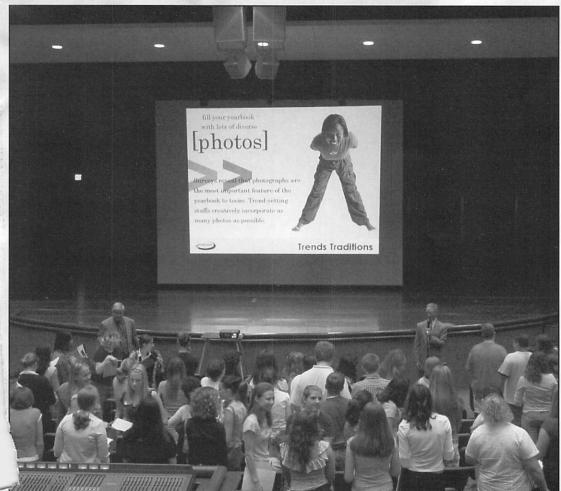




Mark McKnight stands proudly under his state champion banner with his mom and sister that will be displayed in the gym. He is honored to be the first person from South Fayette to win a state title.

Nick Mendiola introduces himself to a student from another school that attended the yearbook conference. The conference gave journalism students an opportunity to exchange ideas and tips.







Leah Stewart walks silently through the halls on Grim Reaper Day. By participating, she was not supposed to speak to anyone throughout the day signifying a life lost.

Students who attended the yearbook conference learned the hot new trends for the upcoming year. Throughout the day they attended classes on photography, digital camera use, and computer programs.

# Servant Day

These juniors were able to sneak away from their seniors during lunch. Lunch time allowed the students to interact and have light-hearted fun.

Claudia Milodin sings a little song during her lunch period in front of her classmates. She has a great voice with which she was able to carry a lovely tune.

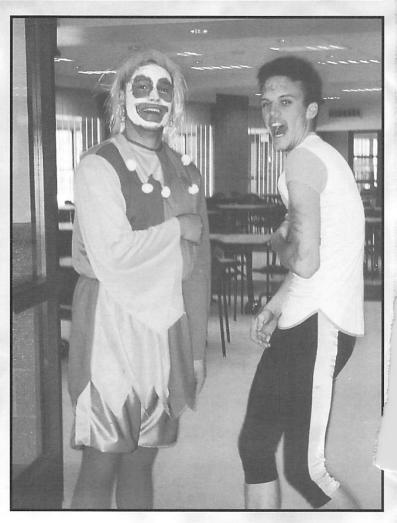


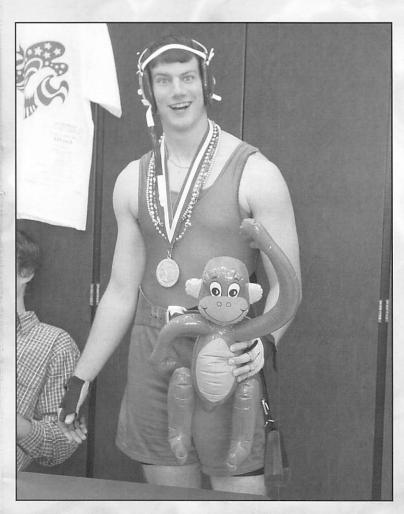


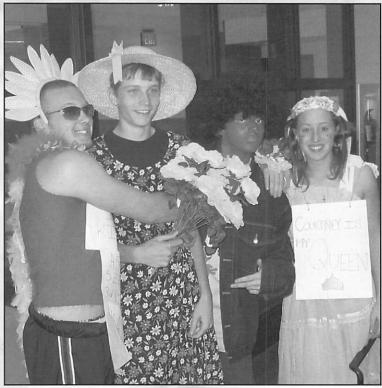


Even though it is Servant Day, Mike Talerico is still learning in his Music Tech class. Mike was a very enthusiastic servant and good sport.

Josh Willison and Adam Bialowas both laugh at each other in their crazy outfits. Servant Day put these boys in good moods as they had fun all day in school.







Keith Jarvis, Brian DePaul, Ryan Wolf, and Felicia Sonson ham it up on Servant Day. These juniors can't wait until next year when they are seniors.

Jason Putulowski was dressed up by his senior Mark McKnight. Jason wore all of Mark's medals, his wrestling attire, and had to carry around Mark's buddy George the monkey. Amanda Hanbury and her senior Alys Mihok had a great time on Servant Day. Alys Mihok was one of the many seniors that fondly remembers participating as a junior last year.





"I loved seeing all my friends dressed up in crasy outfils. It was hibrious!" -Amanda Lee

"I can't wait until next year, I already have plans in mind!"

-Joe Walker



Servant Day is one of the students' favorite traditions that occurs at the end of the school year. Juniors are able to volunteer themselves to be a servant for a senior. Seniors are only able to participate in this event if they participated during their junior year. Seniors can dress their servants up in crazy costumes, silly make-up, and funky hairstyles. Also, seniors can ask their servants to perform funny tasks. Many students cannot wait for this fun-filled day again next year. Servant Day is a great way to end the school year for all the students and is a great memory for the seniors that are leaving high school.

-Courtney Tokarczyk

### Prom 2003

Erin McDermott, Cecca Civitarese, Lauren Lubic, and Greta Mittereder show off their white dresses. Each of the girls felt like a princess dressed up in these beautiful gowns.

Juniors Dallas Sammons and Mike McGovern ham it up during the hypnotist show. These boys enjoyed the activites offered to the students at the 2003 prom.

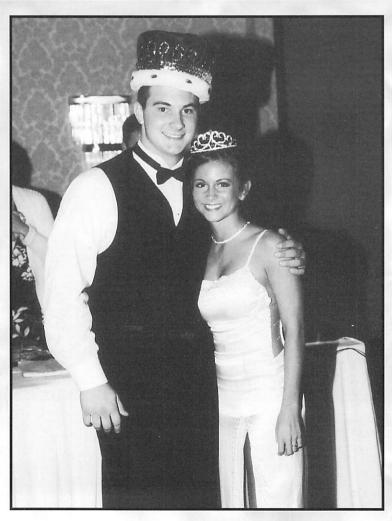




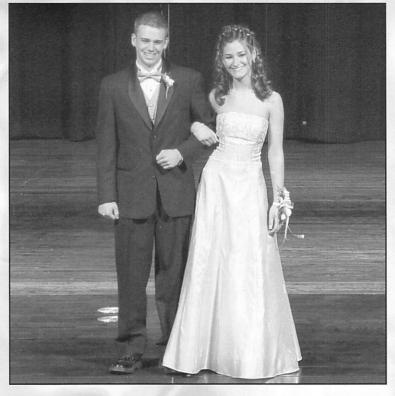


Seniors Brittany Poglein and Dawn Czarniecki enjoy their last dance. Both girls participated on the prom committee and had a lot of fun choosing decorations for the event.

Prom 2003 King and Queen: Matt Cupp and Angie Scanga

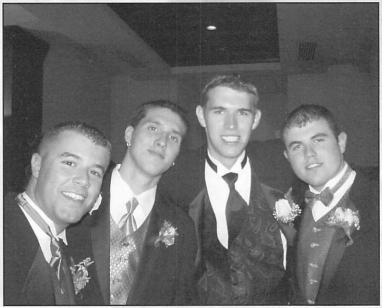






Junior Caleb Drake escorts his fellow classmate Melissa Hart during promenade. They enjoyed each other's company and made many memories throughout the night.

Donna Grady, Sarah Rendulic, Amber Schulman, Leighann Snyder, Angie Scanga, LaSalle Desmet, Stephanie Nickolas, Melissa Hart, Courtney Tokarczyk, Amanda Lee, Lauren Williams, Jessica Capozzoli, and Marissa Gillespie ditched their dates to take a girls only picture. The prom was an exciting night for senior guys Nick Mendiola, Mike Johnson, Bill Brown, and Neil Day. They spent most of the night enjoying Monte Carlo games and the hypnotist show.





"I loved every thing about this year's prom!" -Stephanie Vancza "Ihadablash! My dale was really fun, and the activities were very entertaining."
-Jackie Kosik



Prom 2003 was a memorable night for all those who attended. It started off with promenade, where the couples showed off their dresses and tuxes to a large audience. The night's events then continued onto the Wyndham Pittsburgh Airport, where the festivities started at 9:30 p.m. When the students arrived, they were greeted by beautiful silver, lavendar, and white decorations. The song, chosen to compliment this year's prom, was "Iris" by the Goo Goo Dolls. The night consisted of many traditions, new and old. Some of the events included a delicious dinner and dessert, Monte Carlo games, a caricature artist, and hypnotist Robert Hein. Then, of course, there was the crowning of this year's king and queen Matt Cupp and Angie Scanga. The night was full of memories made by friends and couples. For seniors, it was their chance to enjoy their final dance and say good-bye to all of their friends.

-Marissa Gillespie

## Baccalaureate

The girls of the Senior High Show Choir perform during the ceremony festivities. The choir performed songs ranging from "May You Always Have a Song" to "He Never Failed Me Yet".

Christina Hanzlik steps forward for a solo part in the song, "Let All the World in Every Corner Sing". The show choir performance set the tone of the ceremony with their religious songs and their meanings.





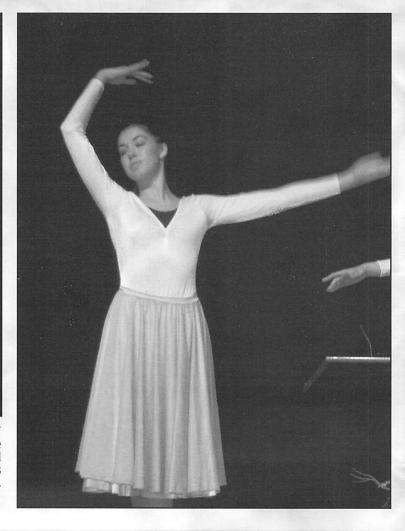
"Baccalaurealewas a wice way to celebrate with my family." - Becky Ardinger



The Baccalaureate ceremony is a way for some students to start off their week of graduation. The ceremony is a more religious event that allows the students to be with family and friends during this exciting time of graduation. During the ceremony, students partake in events such as the lighting of the candles and listening to inspirational speeches and songs sung by the show choir. The ceremony was held on June 2, 2003, in the high school theatre. Student reflections were given by Alys Mihok and Ted Lesniakowski. Reverands John Dykstra, William Wright, and Jonathan Cook-Andres gave words of encouragement to the graduates and the benediction. A dance presentation was also given by Jamie Barry, Andrea Molitaris, and Ashley Risner. The Senior High Show Choir sang special songs of prayer. At the end of the program, students and family members left with their final blessing to move on towards graduation.

-Jessica Capozzoli and Lauren Lubic

Jamie Barry performs an interpretive dance of praise during the baccalaureate cermony. The dance program was a nice addition to a night filled with praise for the achievements of the seniors as they finally prepare to end their high school career.



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Students are visited in the spring by the Easter bunny. The kids enjoyed the visit and will remember that day as one of their favorites in preschool.

Andrea Mackey had a great day at the Pittsburgh Zoo with the preschoolers. She enjoyed learning about pre-elementary education throughout the







"A was sad to preschoolers graduate this year." -Joe Medan

The Early Childhood Development class is one of the most popular electives at South Fayette High School. Students involved in the class learn elementary education while also making friends with the pre-school children. The preschoolers learn their ABC's and simple things like tying your shoes and reading more advanced elementary stories. The high school students were "big helpers" for morning and afternoon classes throughout the year. At the end of the year, the pre-school students graduate. This year's graduation took place on May 21, 2003 at 7 p.m. in the high school theatre. The preschoolers were accompanied by their big helpers. For the big helpers, which are usually senior and junior high school students, it is a final goodbye to the newly inducted kindergarteners. Next year, new kids will be registered into the award winning pre-school class, and a new group of "big helpers" will be able to make new friends.

-Jessica Capozzoli and Lauren Lubic

Mrs. Morally and Kelly Merhaut congratulate each other after the preschool class of 2016 graduates. Early Childhood Development was one of Kelly's favorite classes, and Mrs. Morally will be sad to see her go.

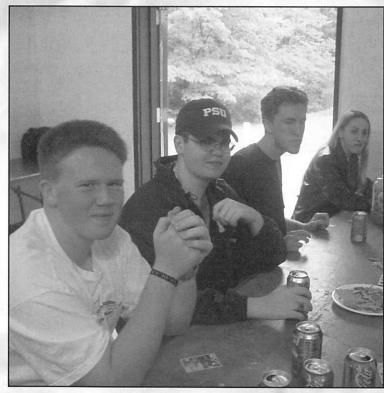
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The Senior class of 2003 gets together for one last event as they prepare to graduate. All the seniors had fun together one last time with the whole class.

Chris Smith delivers the pizza to all of his classmates. Being the senior class president, he was always did his best to make all of the senior festivites very memorable.

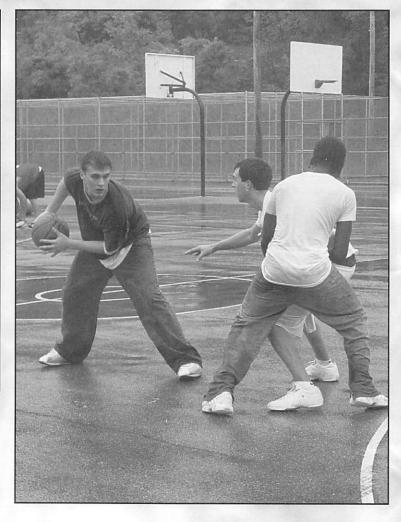


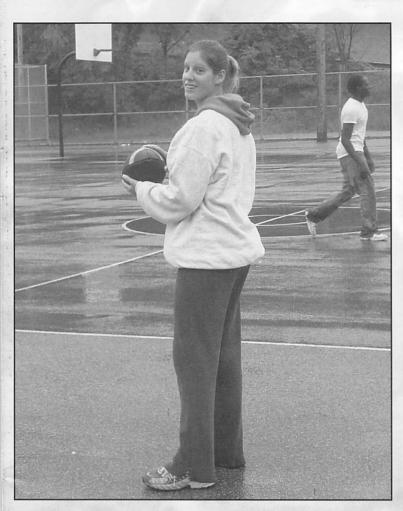


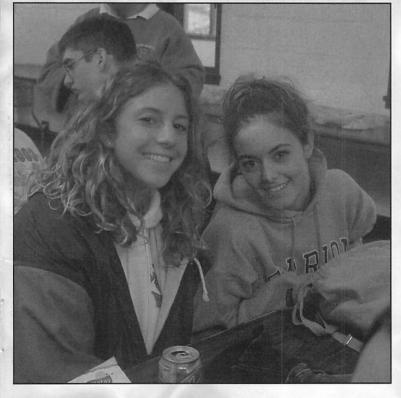


Ryan Wolstoncroft, Joe Meehan, Caleb Armstrong, and Amber Collins enjoy some snacks before they eat lunch. With all the fun activites going on, these seniors had quite an appetite.

Matt Parsons, Mike Johnson, and J.T. Savaren hoop it up on the basketball court. The rain did not stop these boys from playing sports outside.





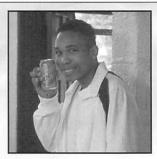


Cecca Civitarese and Carrie Wood talk about their future plans for after high school. The pianic gave time for these girls to relax from all the graduation chaos.

Julie Vogt plays football with a bunch of her classmates in the rain. Being a great athlete, Julie is always up to play any kind of sport, rain or shine.

Gina Losego, Maggie Yunker, and Vanessa Quinn have fun while they play Balderdash. The board games were a great way to have fun indoors because of the rain.





"The picnic was a great way to say goodbye to all my class-mates."

-Jen Proctor

"The food was one of my favorite things; it was all so good"
- Timothy Richardson



The last big event that the senior class had together was the Senior Picnic. The senior picnic was held on June 3, 2003 at South Park. The seniors were not able to play volleyball or dine on the picnic tables outside with the rain, but none of this mattered to them. They all had fun by just being with each other. Many of the students enjoyed playing basketball and football. All of the students at the picnic agreed that the food was the best part of the picnic. They enjoyed pizza from Papa Johns, hoagies, salads, potatoe chips, soda and lots of sweets. As the day came to a final end, the seniors took their last class picture together. Emotions were high as many realized this was their last high school event. They will never forget all the memories they had together and the ones they made at South Park.

-Courtney Tokarczyk

## Senior Banquet

The senior class takes one last picture together after being introduced at the end of the banquet. The senior class enjoyed their evening together, which was another milestone in their high school career.

Drew O'Data and Adam Mathias patiently wait for dinner to be served at their table during the banquet. Both boys are excited to be moving on after high school, but agree that they will stay friends forever.

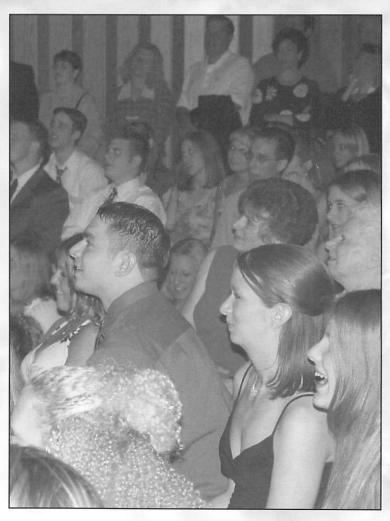






Danielle Wagner and her mother enjoy spending the night together at the banquet. Both are excited about Danielle's future, which includes plans to attend Clarion University.

Chaz Tallerico and the rest of the senior class excitedly watch the senior video at the conclusion of the banquet. The students' expressions show that the best part of the night was the video and how much they enjoyed reminiscing about their







The families of Vanessa Kreuer and Alys Mihok arrive at the senior banquet and get ready for their last night together. The families have been close friends and are excited for their daughters' futures that lie ahead of them.

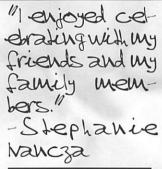
Senior Stefanie Altavilla and her mother spend time together at the banquet before the festivities start. Stefanie is excited to further her education at the Community College of Beaver County, and plans to study in either the beauty or nursing program.

After a catered dinner, the seniors and their quests enjoyed this cake as a delicious dessert. The cake shows the Class of 2003 design made by Angie Scanga, which will be placed in the high school to continue the S.F. lion mural tradition.





"Being able to spend this night with my mom was great." -Courtney min





Its finally the "end of the road" for the senior class. The Class of 2003 has been through a lot since their first arrival thirteen years ago at South Fayette. They have made friends, been in relationships, gone to dances, held parties, and grew into young men and women. The students were finally ready to leave but not without one final goodbye. The Senior Banquet allows the students to make those goodbyes and to celebrate with their friends and family members their experiences through life up to this point. The banquet was held this year at the Fort Cherry Golf Club on June 4, 2003, at 7:00 p.m. The banquet started with an invocation from pre-school teacher Mrs. Judy Morally, who had many of the students thirteen years ago in her pre-school class. A catered dinner followed, with opening remarks from Dr. Hippert, Dr. Ravita, and Mrs. Bisignani. The introduction of the seniors and the presentation of the senior video concluded the banquet and left the students feeling ready to move on. -Jessica Capozzoli

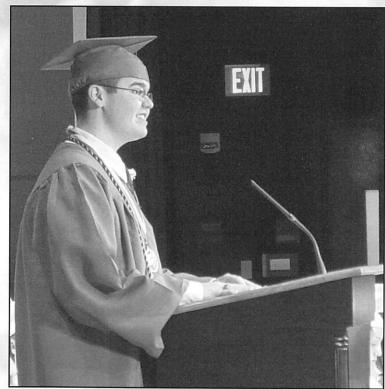
# Graduation

The seniors perform the Alma Mater during the graduation ceremony. Hopefully, this night and this song will remain in their hearts forever.

The 2003 lion that will be displayed in the high school represents the theme of the senior class. Artist Angie Scanga says "The lion symbolizes the diversity of the students that make up the 2003 senior class."

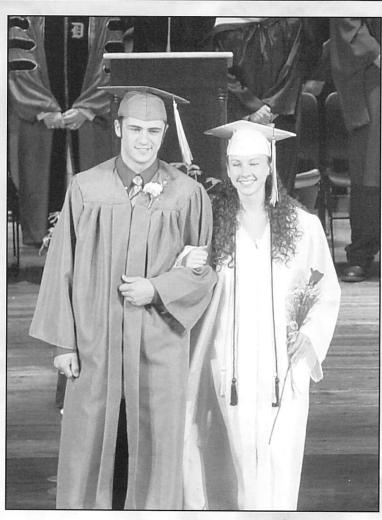


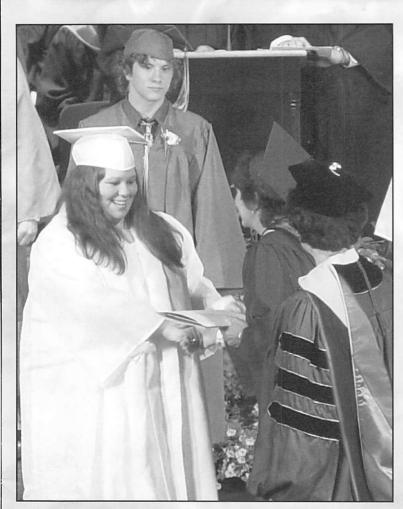


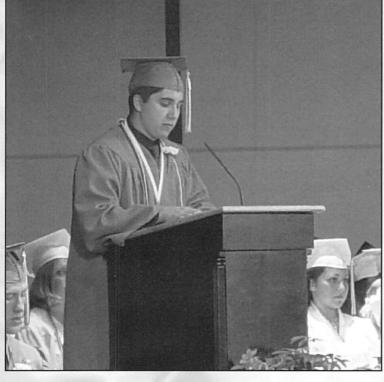


Valedictorian Joe Welch presents his speech entitled "The Eyes of the World are Upon You." He reflected back upon historical events as well as the memories the class had made together.

Eli Rebich escorts Andrea Molitaris to the front of the stage for the traditional procession that takes place at the beginning of the ceremony. These two were anxious to see what was in store for them on such a special occasion.







Salutatorian Anthony Mastrean gives his words of wisdom and inspiration to the senior class. His speech "An American Tradition" wished the class much luck in all their endeavors.

Amanda Kenneally gladly receives her diploma from Mrs. Sammons. Amanda could hardly believe that graduation day approached so quickly. Matt Colavecchia, Josh McCarren, Matt Cupp, Mike Johnson, Derek Deep, and Jim Krobot prepare backstage for the biggest night of their lives thus far. They never thought this night would actually come





"I'm so glad Had I've finally finished my high school career!" -Nick Mendiola

"I'll miss high school, but lam excited for what is to come."
- Adam Mathias



June 6, 2003, marked the commencement ceremony for the senior class of South Fayette High School. It also marked two other special events: the 75th annual commencement and the first ever commencement ceremony to be held in the new school. For many, the night was bittersweet due to the fact that the students would be leaving their friends but would go on to have many more successful accomplishments in life. It was a great feeling to the students to know that they have finished a large portion of their schooling. Not only were the students proud to be receiving their diplomas, but they felt honored to be the first graduating class of the new school. Each of them realizes the hard work and dedication it takes to get to this day. Graduation marks a time that allows seniors to remember and reflect upon the many achievements they have made over the past 13 years.

-Marissa Gillespie

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